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Proceedings of the Club.

TUESDAY EVENING, MARCH 8, 1898.

The club met by invitation at the Teachers College, where the science lecture rooms, laboratories and library were thrown open to its inspection and use, with reception and refreshments following, in which the ladies connected with the Teachers College staff dispensed their kind hospitality.

President Brown presided. About 140 persons were present.

The scientific program consisted of a lecture by Prof. Francis E. Lloyd, of the Teachers College, on the trees of the Pacific coast, illustrated with lantern slides taken by himself. He discussed the characteristic Pacific trees found between California and Sitka, especially those of the Olympic Mountains, showing among others the western representatives of the white oak, black ash and flowering dogwood. The Douglass Spruce, the western maple (*Acer macrophyllum*) and others were shown both in their regular closer-branched field-forms and in their irregular narrower forest-forms. *Abies grandis*, the White Fir of the West, and *A. lasiocarpa*, the Woollycone Fir, were shown from the Olympic Mountains. Pines occur there at the altitude of 5,000 feet and over, as *P. albicaulis*, the White-trunked Pine, bearing a round cone with thick, fleshy scales. Its seeds are the food of a curious crow inhabiting these mountains. This pine loves exposed situations, and also about Crater Lake, but always cowers under the wind, often forming a dense, broad, low mass on which one can lie as on a spring bed, perhaps 800 years old, while but four or five feet high. A curious contrast is afforded by the persistently erect trunk of *Tsuga Pattoniana*, the western hemlock, which grows with the preceding, but becomes erect no matter how strong the wind, nor how much its flexile trunks while young are decurved each winter by the snow. Several other pines were exhibited as *P. contorta* and its erect form of the interior known as *P. Murrayana*. Among Alaskan trees *Picea Sitkensis*, and the Alaska Cedar were discussed.

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